AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

1.   (Currently Amended) A method performed by a computer system comprising:

in response to a size of a storage device, identifying a sector offset on the a storage device;

storing an image onto the storage device at the sector offset, the image including an operating system;

providing the sector offset to an installation engine; and

subsequent to storing the image on the storage device, initiating the installation engine to cause the operating system to be installed on the storage device using the image.

2.   (Original) The method of claim 1, further comprising:

subsequent to initiating the installation engine, partitioning the storage device.

3.   (Original) The method of claim 1, further comprising:

subsequent to initiating the installation engine, performing a formatting operation on the storage device.

4.   (Canceled)

5.   (Original) The method of claim 1, further comprising:

identifying the sector offset in response to a size of the image.

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6.   (Original) The method of claim 1, further comprising:

  providing the sector offset to the installation engine by storing the sector offset in a predetermined location on the storage device.

7.   (Original) The method of claim 1, further comprising:

  providing the sector offset to the installation engine by passing the sector offset as part of a function call to initiate the installation engine.

8.   (Original) The method of claim 1, further comprising:

  storing the image onto the storage device by copying the image from a CD-ROM.

9.   (Original) The method of claim 1, further comprising:

  storing the image onto the storage device by copying the image over a network.

10.   (Currently Amended) A computer program product comprising:

  a computer program processable by a computer system for causing the computer system to:

   in response to a size of a storage device, identify a sector offset on the a storage device;

   store an image onto the storage device at the sector offset, the image including an operating system;

   provide the sector offset to an installation engine; and

   subsequent to storing the image on the storage device, initiate the installation engine to cause the operating system to be installed on the storage device using the image; and

  an apparatus from which the computer program is accessible by the

computer system.

11.   (Original) The computer program product of claim 10, wherein the computer program is processable by the computer system to cause the computer system to:

      subsequent to initiating the installation engine, partition the storage device.

12.   (Original) The computer program product of claim 10, wherein the computer program is processable by the computer system to cause the computer system to:

      subsequent to initiating the installation engine, perform a formatting operation on the storage device.

13.   (Canceled)

14.   (Original) The computer program product of claim 10, wherein the computer program is processable by the computer system to cause the computer system to:

      identify the sector offset in response to a size of the image.

15.   (Original) The computer program product of claim 10, wherein the computer program is processable by the computer system to cause the computer system to:

      provide the sector offset to the installation engine by storing the sector offset in a predetermined location on the storage device.

16.   (Original) The computer program product of claim 10, wherein the computer

program is processable by the computer system to cause the computer system to:

provide the sector offset to the installation engine by passing the sector offset as part of a function call to initiate the installation engine.

17. (Original) The computer program product of claim 10, wherein the computer program is processable by the computer system to cause the computer system to:

store the image onto the storage device by copying the image from a CD-ROM.

18. (Original) The computer program product of claim 10, wherein the computer program is processable by the computer system to cause the computer system to:

store the image onto the storage device by copying the image over a network.

19. (Currently Amended) A system comprising:

a computer system for:

in response to a size of a storage device, identifying a sector offset on the a storage device;

storing an image onto the storage device at the sector offset, the image including an operating system;

providing the sector offset to an installation engine; and

subsequent to storing the image on the storage device, initiating the installation engine to cause the operating system to be installed on the storage device using the image.

20. (Original) The system of claim 19, wherein the computer system is for:
    subsequent to initiating the installation engine, partitioning the storage device.

21. (Original) The system of claim 19, wherein the computer system is for:
    subsequent to initiating the installation engine, performing a formatting operation on the storage device.

22. (Canceled)

23. (Original) The system of claim 19, wherein the computer system is for:
    identifying the sector offset in response to a size of the image.

24. (Original) The system of claim 19, wherein the computer system is for:
    providing the sector offset to the installation engine by storing the sector offset in a predetermined location on the storage device.

25. (Original) The system of claim 19, wherein the computer system is for:
    providing the sector offset to the installation engine by passing the sector offset as part of a function call to initiate the installation engine.

26. (Original) The system of claim 19, wherein the computer system is for:
    storing the image onto the storage device by copying the image from a CD-ROM.

27. (Original) The system of claim 19, wherein the computer system is for:
    storing the image onto the storage device by copying the image over a network.

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28.   (Currently Amended) A method performed by a computer system comprising:

in response to a size of a storage device, identifying a sector offset on the-a storage device;

storing an image onto the storage device at the sector offset by copying the image over a network, the image including an operating system;

providing the sector offset to an installation engine by storing the sector offset in a predetermined location on the storage device;

subsequent to storing the image on the storage device, initiating the installation engine to cause the operating system to be installed on the storage device using the image; and

subsequent to initiating the installation engine, performing a formatting operation on the storage device.;

identifying the sector offset in response to a size of the storage device;

providing the sector offset to the installation engine by storing the sector offset in a predetermined location on the storage device; and

storing the image onto the storage device by copying the image over a network.

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